

# MODERATOR'S WORKSHEET FOR THE 2014 GENERAL ELECTION

## Reconciling Votes, Voters, and Ballots Cast

### 2014 GENERAL ELECTION

Moderators are required to submit this worksheet to their town or ward clerks within 48 hours of the closing of the polls (RSA 659:73). It is the moderator's job to ensure that votes are accurately counted (RSA 659:60).

Town or City: \_\_\_\_\_ Ward: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Moderator: \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PART I.

The first part of the reconciliation process consists of **four separate tallies**: (A) Ballots Cast (Inventory), (B) Voter Participation Tallied at Check-In, (C) Voter Participation Tallied at Check-Out/Ballots Cast Tape, and (D) Hand Count of Ballots Cast. Ideally, these **four counts should result in the same number** of ballots cast and voters participating (In the end, **TOTAL A = TOTAL B = TOTAL C = TOTAL D = TOTAL Count of Votes in Contests (from Part II)**). While we recognize that errors may occur which could result in small differences in the four Part I totals, Moderators are urged to **carefully consider** these tally numbers **before finalizing results** on election night.

#### A. BALLOT INVENTORY

(1) Official Election Day Ballots Received from Secretary of State, excluding ACCUVOTE device test ballots  
(You may enter this same number on the "**Moderator's Certificate**") (1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) SUBTRACT Spoiled (cancelled) Official Election Day Ballots  
(You may enter this same number on the "**Label for Resealing Ballots**") - (2) \_\_\_\_\_

(3) SUBTRACT Uncast (not used) Official Election Day Ballots  
(You may enter this same number on the "**Label for Resealing Ballots**") - (3) \_\_\_\_\_

(4) ADD Ballots cast using AVS (Accessible Voting System) + (4) \_\_\_\_\_

(5) ADD Photocopy or absentee ballots **CAST** as Official Election Day Ballots + (5) \_\_\_\_\_  
(These are the substitute ballots used when the polling place runs out of Election Day Ballots.)

(6) **Total Number of Ballots Cast by ELECTION DAY voters** (Calculate 1 through 5) =

(7) State Absentee Ballots Cast (7) \_\_\_\_\_

(8) ADD Federal Office Only Absentee Ballots Cast + (8) \_\_\_\_\_

(9) ADD other full (UOCAVA) Absentee Ballots Cast + (9) \_\_\_\_\_

(10) **Total Number of Ballots Cast by ABSENTEE voters** (ADD 7, 8 and 9) =

(11) **Grand Total Number of Ballots Cast (Using Inventory)** (ADD boxes 6 + 10) = **TOTAL A**

(You may enter this same number on the "**Label for Resealing Ballots**")

You may transfer numbers from the "**Ballots Cast**" form

#### B. VOTER PARTICIPATION TALLIED AT CHECK-IN

Number of voters **marked as having voted** on the **CHECK-IN** checklist

(ALL Election Day voters and ALL Absentee voters) =

**TOTAL B**

#### C. VOTER PARTICIPATION TALLIED AT CHECK-OUT

HAND COUNT CITIES OR TOWNS	MACHINE COUNT CITIES OR TOWNS
<b>OR</b>	
Number of <b>voters marked as having voted</b> on the <b>CHECK-OUT</b> checklist  <i>(ALL Election Day and ALL Absentee voters)</i>  <b>TOTAL C =</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	Total <b>Ballots</b> Cast from the ACCUVOTE election results tape <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>  ADD Number of ballots that were NOT counted by the ACCUVOTE <i>(see Note below)</i> + <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>  <b>TOTAL C =</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>  <i>(Note: These ADDED ballots are ONLY those Ballots that were counted by hand and did NOT pass through the ACCUVOTE counting device. Do NOT include ballots simply because they had write-in votes.)</i>

#### D. HAND COUNT OF **BALLOTS** CAST

You may hand count the total number of <b>ballots</b> cast. <b>TOTAL D</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>
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### PART II. VOTES IN CONTESTS IN THE GENERAL ELECTION

Compare the ballots cast (**TOTALS A, B, C, and D**) from PART I of this form with the total **votes** cast from the “**Votes in Contests, Examination of Individual Races**”. If there are any significant discrepancies, please ask your election team to carefully review their tallies.

It is important to **resolve discrepancies on election night before announcing results** and avoid errors which, for example, may indicate more votes tallied in a particular contest than total ballots cast.

TALLY CATEGORY	TOTAL Votes, Voters, or Ballots Cast
<b>TOTAL A – Ballots Cast</b> (Using Inventory) <i>(from Grand Total on reverse side)</i>	
<b>TOTAL B -- Voters</b> at Check-in <i>(from reverse side of this form)</i>	
<b>TOTAL C -- Voters</b> at Check-out/Ballots Cast Tape <i>(this side of this form)</i>	
<b>TOTAL D – Hand Count of Ballots</b> <i>(this side of this form)</i>	
<b>TOTAL COUNT OF VOTES in INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS</b> <i>(transfer number from “Votes in Contests - Examination of Individual Races” that reflects the consensus “office total” for the individual contests.</i>	

These **five** numbers above **should all be equivalent**. Significant differences may indicate a tallying error.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Moderator

Date: \_\_\_\_\_